

TWO KILLED BY FEDERAL OFFICER WHO RUNS AMUCK

Surveyor of Customs for Port of New Orleans, Suffering From Mental Depression, Slays His Close Friend.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 22.—(Special) L. Knox, surveyor of customs for the port of New Orleans and prominent Louisiana attorney, shot and killed Benjamin Foster, of Hutchinson, Miss., a close friend and former business associate, and Alexander Franklin, believed to be from New Orleans, La., in the Yacht and Mississippi River railroad depot here today.

According to witnesses, Knox walked into the crowded waiting room and without uttering a word drew a revolver and fired three times. Foster, who was purchasing a ticket, was instantly killed. Franklin was struck by the second or third bullet and died twenty minutes later. After the shooting Knox left the waiting room and surrendered to the police.

Will Give No Statement.

District Attorney Behrman, who attempted to obtain a statement from Knox, declared that all the prisoner would say was, "He ruined my life."

It was said Knox apparently did not know Franklin had been killed. Relatives of Knox declare that he was suffering from mental aberration, as he had Foster had been his friend for many years and to cause was known for a long time. Knox recently developed mental trouble and last September was taken to Washington and placed in a sanatorium for treatment. He arrived here from Washington several days ago.

Franklin was 74 years old and was a physician. He had been accompanied to the depot by an attorney of a local charitable organization which had arranged to send him to relatives at Donaldville, La.

Food Trust Slapped on Wrist.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Twenty-six local food dealers indicted for violation of the Sherman law in combining to raise the price of food during the first weeks of the war pleaded guilty yesterday and were fined \$25 each. The merchants were indicted in the complaint of the department of justice against alleged price-fixing increases in the cost of living begun at the direction of President Wilson.

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An inside bath is had by drinking each morning before breakfast a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it to wash from the stomach, liver, kidneys and ten yards of bowels the previous day's indigestible waste. This morning routine and purging, thus cleansing, sweetening and freshening the entire atmosphere of the body by putting more food into the stomach.

Those subject to sick headaches, biliousness, nasal, throat, rheumatism, colds and particularly those who have a pallid, sallow complexion and who are constipated very often, are urged to obtain a quick and efficient internal cathartic at the first sign of constipation. This is a simple, safe, and effective remedy that will not only cleanse the bowels but also purify the blood, thus clearing the skin and preventing the formation of pimples and other skin troubles.

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BRITISH BANKERS ISSUE APPEAL FOR THE NATION

Success of War Now Depends Upon Ability to Finance It; Individual Incomes Greater Than Ever.

LONDON, Dec. 22 (1915).—A manifesto to the people of the country was issued tonight under the signature of a number of leading English bankers and financiers on the subject of the country's financial position. The signatories are headed by that of Charles Anderson, treasurer of the Bank of England. The manifesto is in part follows:

"As this is a time of great national danger it is imperative that every citizen realize the vastness of the work great Britain has to perform. In a long war success depends mainly upon the respective financial resources of the combatants and the concentration of power of one of them to maintain its credit and its fighting strength while the others are weakening. It is not in doubt that the allied financial resources, when fully mobilized and wisely controlled, will be vastly greater than the enemy's."

War Near Final Stage.

"The allies' success in defeating the enemy's efforts to cripple them in men, munitions and money before they could assemble their full strength has now brought the war near to its final stage. Indeed only one thing is now needed to command victory, namely, to provide all the money needed to support the war effort of new men and pay for the vast quantities of arms and munitions being manufactured in all parts of the world."

"The task of finding the greater part of the immense sums of money needed by the allies is the special duty of the British people for they, in particular, possess the necessary financial resources. Their manufacturing power is unimpaired by invasion; their cities are unharmed; their ports not shut off. The income of the British people has been maintained at a high level. Exports, though not so great as before the war, are greater than in 1914. The income from capital abroad has been reduced by the war, but the earnings of shipping are greater than ever and the factories are working full time."

"Moreover the effect upon production of the great army's mobilization has been largely neutralized by the more vigorous and effective work of the civilian population, particularly the women. The average individual income is much in excess of any total heretofore reached."

"On the current calendar year the British people will spend £1,500,000,000 on war and government, next year £1,800,000,000. To raise this sum is a stupendous task which will try the mettle of the nation as it has never been tried in a hundred years. The task demands the strenuous cooperation of every man, woman, youth and maiden—that the nation's energies be concentrated on the production of really essential things, that the production of all non-essentials be reduced to a minimum."

Advise Strict Economy.

"The nation must avoid the consumption of all non-essentials and even restrict the consumption of essentials to the limits of efficiency. Individuals possessing securities marketable abroad must sell them to pay for goods and munitions for which no other means of payment can be provided. Only by all classes adding to and carefully maintaining their incomes by saving for an emergency, by cutting down on luxuries, by making the most of the money they have, will it be possible to provide the vast sum needed by the nation and its allies."

PEACE MUST BE FINAL WHEN CONCLUDED, BORDEN ASSERTS

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inaction. For this supreme reason the empire is strong in the day of trial.

Britain Unprepared.

"The outbreak of the war found Great Britain utterly unprepared for military operations upon the tremendous scale which has been required. Communication between our scattered possessions is essential to their unity and continued national existence. Thus the fighting power of the empire is concentrated almost wholly in the navy, equipped with an aggressive intention, and maintained solely for self-protection and self-preservation. Attempted aggression against any great military nation under such conditions was utterly inconceivable for our military power was relatively insignificant. Apart from every other consideration the absolute lack of adequate military preparation for this war speaks for itself and, unambiguously, proclaims that the dominions which are allied to the British crown followed the paths of peace and earnestly desired to avoid war."

"Much indeed was the ideal of the Canadian nation, but in common with all the dominions the aid of only people when called upon proved worthy of their highest traditions. Within six weeks after the outbreak of war a force of nearly 25,000 men was assembled, thoroughly armed, equipped and organized in every branch of military service. Its journey across the Atlantic in a great armada of steamships began on October 2, 1914. Nearly 100,000 Canadian soldiers have since seen action and during the past few months they have fought across the ocean at the rate of more than 2,000 per week. Our contribution is now 250,000 and more than 200,000 are already under arms."

"Has our national spirit been adequately responsive to the nation's needs? For courage and devotion I point to the Canadians at Ypres, at Passchendaele, at Vimy, at Arras, at Cambrai, at the Somme. For self-sacrifice I see the women yielding their dearest to the country's call and conserving their lives to its ultimate service. For the beautiful generosity of our people I need but mention \$2,000,000 for the patriotic fund, \$2,000,000 for the British Red Cross society, \$2,000,000 for our own Red Cross and kindred societies, more than \$2,000,000 for the starling and devotion in Belgium at least \$3,000,000 in other patriotic contributions from provinces and individuals, \$2,000,000 in food products and other supplies useful for war purposes placed by the dominion and the prov-

inces at the disposal of the British government. Men of great financial experience believed that subscriptions to the public at large to the extent of \$2,000,000 could probably reach \$10,000,000 and could not exceed \$15,000,000. The public added \$70,000,000 to the \$15,000,000 and the total subscriptions ran close to \$100,000,000.

"I have spoken of all these things in order that you may truly comprehend what one source has been in this war, and that you may perhaps believe that Canada has made her loyalty a living principle in a fiercer way than ever before. And our empire seems to be something greater than it was a year ago; when much seemed from the dominions and dependencies across themselves in its little line, new and impressive epoch in its history was marked. These present events have already given birth to a new order. It is realized that the great policies and questions which concern and govern the interest of peace and war cannot be solved by the narrow view of the people of the British islands alone."

"Realizing to the full the tragedy of this war in Canada pray that the whirling boom of time may leave the mighty events of the next months to be an shining peace. But there is with us the great instinct, convinced that the cause for which we fight does truly concern the freedom of the world and that there can be no enduring peace until it fully reveals. Intercourse with this conviction is an equally intense and unalterable determination to spare no effort and shrink from no sacrifice necessary to make as great a cause triumphant. Finally, we have faith that this war heralds not the 'dies irae' but the regeneration of our civilization founded as it is upon an unquenchable aspiration, faith also that humanity's struggle against the oppression of force above right will not be in vain."

1,500 PIONEERS IN ALASKA ARE TIED UP BY ICE

Work on New Government Railroad Project Cannot Proceed Until Spring Thaw Frees Situation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Fifteen hundred new pioneers in the building of the government railroad are ice-bound in Anchorage, America's newest frontier town.

This information was given Secretary Lane of the interior department, today by William C. Edes, chairman of the Alaska railroad commission, who said it would be impossible for the men to resume work on the railroad until spring. Mr. Edes has just returned from Alaska.

In his report the chairman of the commission said thousands of tons of freight for Anchorage, including a large quantity of building materials for housing, is being held up by the ice, while the road builders have to content themselves with canned goods and dried meats, of which they have a plentiful supply.

About thirty-five miles of new road, including numerous minor bridges and culverts, was completed during the past year. The line, when completed, will extend from Seward, on the coast, to the interior, to the Tanana river, 271 miles, and will include the existing Alaska Northern railroad from Seward, seventy-one miles through the Kona peninsula to Fairbanks, and a branch line from Fairbanks to the Tanana river, 100 miles. The road will open the Matanuska coal fields.

Mr. Edes estimates that five years will see it well toward completion. It is expected that only a small force, chiefly engineers, will be employed directly by the government in constructing the road, the actual work being turned over to contractors.

Frederic Moore, U. S. A. late superintendent of the Tanana railroad and a member of the commission, is spending the winter in Anchorage, making all preparations for the early rush toward Fairbanks.

'MISSING LINK' IN BOMB PLOTS FOUND

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The arrest today of Edmund Justice, a night watchman employed by the Hamburg-American Steamship company, was declared by federal officials to supply the "missing link" in a chain of evidence proving that the steamship company was the financial agent of the German movement in various plots against American neutrality.

Justice was arrested as an employee and follow conspirator of Paul Koenig, head of the Hamburg-American Steamship company, who is charged with plotting to blow up the Wallend canal. Shortly after Justice's arrest, a howler representing Koenig appeared before the federal grand jury at New York and gave \$20,000 bail for appearance at a hearing set for January 12. This makes a total of more than \$100,000 supplied by the Hamburg-American company as bail for men accused of plots against American neutrality.

Indictments in the Wallend canal case are expected tomorrow. The grand jury, which has been investigating the alleged activities of Franz von Houten in fomenting strikes in munition plants, has not completed its work but has adjourned over Christmas. Indictments in this case probably will be returned next week.

COUSIN OF SERB KING KILLED IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Herman Merckworth, aged 16, second cousin to King Peter of Serbia, who had been employed for years as a waiter in a tourist's establishment, died today in a hospital from a fractured skull received in an altercation yesterday with an Austrian and the latter's son. The young man, under arrest on a charge of homicide, is accused of knocking down the Serb, whose head struck the pavement.

Merckworth was the son of Prince John of Serbia, who came to this country in 1914, became a naturalized citizen and engaged in the furrier's business in this city until his death in 1915.

Results from Journal Want Ads.

MUST HAVE PLANT TO GET NITROGEN FROM THE AIR

Scientist Declares U. S. Would Be Whipped Easily Unless Saltwater Could Be Had From Chile.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Members of the navy's scientific board met here today for a series of informal conferences in preparation for their second meeting since organization, which will be held tomorrow at the New York navy yard. Secretary Daniels had proposed a trip to the South Sea Islands, but it was deferred because of the uncertain weather and it is believed the members will be kept busy inspecting the navy yard, especially as all the warships of the New York division of the Atlantic fleet now are in port.

The only absentees from the conference sessions today were Thomas A. Edison, chairman of the board, and Dr. W. H. Whitney, both of whom are expected to attend the meeting tomorrow, and Henry A. Wise Wood, who has resigned. Various questions of importance to the navy were considered by the conference during the day.

Dr. Leo Hendrik Baekeland, chairman of the committee on food and sanitation, discussed the prime importance of synthetic silk and wool in modern warfare and declared that if Germany had not been able to utilize the source of nitrogen in the air in the manufacture of munitions she would have been utterly paralyzed since Great Britain has sufficient quantities to produce the requisite amount of ammunitions powder and explosives, although the process was invented in the United States. Saltwater is the only important chemical or synthetic material which cannot be produced in this country, he asserted.

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LLOYD-GEORGE AGAIN APPEALS TO UNIONS

NEW CASTLE, Eng., Dec. 22 (1915).—David Lloyd-George, the British minister, tonight addressed a meeting attended by 300 trades union officials. The minister urged the amendment of the trades union rules in order to permit the employment of a percentage of unskilled men with skilled men in the munitions traffic. The meeting was private but the following report of it was supplied to the press.

"Mr. Lloyd-George had a most enthusiastic and cordial reception. He pointed out to his hearers the necessity of proceeding with the scheme the labor supply committee had suggested. He explained that only in this way was it possible to get men necessary for the new armaments which the ministry is building for the supply of guns and projectiles."

"At the end of his speech numerous questions were asked which Mr. Lloyd-George said he would do his best to answer. It was stated that the suggestions of the minister were very well received by the men."

BRITISH FORCES TO BE RAISED TO 4,000,000

NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (1915).—The House of commons today passed bills prolonging the life of the present parliament for twelve months and increasing the strength of the British army to 4,000,000 men. Both bills passed without division.

The army bill was passed in connection with the whole at last night's session after fourteen hours' sitting. The newly authorized army, H. J. Tennant, parliamentary secretary of the war office, stated to the house tonight, is the largest army in the world. It is the largest army in the world. It is the largest army in the world.

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CRUDE TARTAR MAY BE SHIPPED TO AMERICA

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Brokerage and Banking Houses Rejoice Over Prosperous Year; Generous With Employees.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—With high-grade copper selling today at 36 1/2 cents a pound, its highest price since 1907, Wall Street looks for another boom in that industry. Metal shares were the chief feature of today's market. American Steel being most prominent, it put the strongest, while Anaconda, Utah, Inspiration, and a half dozen less conspicuous issues followed, all at substantial gains.

It was reported that a large producing company had practically closed its contract for deliveries, particularly 1216 to foreign interests, particularly British, at Berlin, at 29 1/2 and 21 cents. Germany, it is declared, is placing orders here to be delivered after the war, when the amount of copper for "reconstruction" purposes will run into many thousands of tons.

Representatives of the leading selling agencies, which distribute the output of the big mines, declined to discuss the matter of copper exports, "for obvious reasons," but it is expected that the outflow of the metal from leading ports during the early months of the coming year will break all records.

Truth holds that Mr. Lloyd-George's reference to the shortage of machine guns, large guns and explosives are implied reflections on Secretary Kitchener, but adds that this does not exonerate the cabinet.

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